

INVENTORY
OF
THE LUTHER PRENTICE BRADLEY PAPERS (1822-1950)

The contents of the papers of Brigadier-General Luther P. Bradley are summarized below. The first box contains biographies and autobiographies, diaries, and a bound volume of personal and official correspondence spanning the years, 1847-1909. Then come three boxes of personal correspondence and one box of official correspondence and other official papers. Next is one box of avowedly "historical" material: historical writings and reminiscences, historical speeches and clippings, and historical documents of other people collected by General Bradley. Following this are three boxes of miscellaneous financial papers, memorandum books, and scrapbooks. Finally comes a box of annotated Civil War books.

Other items of the Bradley donation have been transferred to the appropriate sections of the Military History Research Collection: unannotated publications to the library, photographs to the photo archives, and artifacts to the museum.

Military Service
of
General Bradley (1847-1886)

Lieutenant, 2nd Connecticut Militia Regiment
Lieutenant-Colonel and Colonel, 51st Illinois Infantry Regiment
Commander, Third Brigade, Third Division, Right Wing, Army of
the Cumberland
Commander, Third Brigade, Third Division, XX Corps
Brigadier-General, Third Brigade, Second Division, IV Corps
Lieutenant-Colonel, 27th and 9th U.S. Infantry Regiments
Colonel, 3rd and 13th U.S. Infantry Regiments
Commander, Districts of Green River, the Black Hills, and New
Mexico

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Box 1: Autobiographies, Biographies, Diaries, General Correspondence, 1822-1910.

- a. Bradley, Autobiographies and Biographies, 1822-1910.
- b. Bradley, Obituaries and letters of Condolence on death of General Bradley, 1910.
- c. Bradley, Diaries and Record of Service, 1861-1910.
 - 1) Private Journal, January, 1867-December 31, 1880; record of service, October 15, 1861-December 8, 1886.
 - 2) Private Journal, May 20, 1873-February 1, 1874; register of letters sent, January 1, 1882-December 23, 1883.
 - 3) Private Journal, January 1, 1881-December 29, 1895.
 - 4) Private Journal, January 1, 1896-March 7, 1910.
- d. Bradley, Personal and Official Correspondence, 1847-1909.
 - 1) Luther P. Bradley, Correspondence, August 1, 1861-January 14, 1909.
 - 2) Charles William Bradley (Brother), Correspondence, October 9, 1847-September 20, 1864.
 - 3) Mary Bradley (Sister), Correspondence, February 18, 1860.
 - 4) Buel Bradley (Sister), Correspondence, September 18, 1864-March 19, 1865.

Box 2: Family Correspondence, 1861-1885.

- a. Bradley, Personal Correspondence, December 7, 1861-May 29, 1865.
- b. Bradley, Correspondence with Ione Dewey, February 8-July 21, 1867.
- c. Bradley, Correspondence with Ione Dewey, July 23, 1867-March 21, 1868.
- d. Bradley, Correspondence with his wife, September 16, 1868-May 1, 1869.
- e. Bradley, Correspondence with his wife, October 26, 1870-June 9, 1876.
- f. Bradley, Correspondence with his wife, January 17, 1877-September 23, 1878.
- g. Bradley, Correspondence with his wife, July 16, 1879-May 30, 1885.

Box 3: Family Correspondence, 1857-1915 .

- a. Luther and Ione Bradley, Letters received from family and relatives, May 25, 1866-November 19, 1915, and undated.
- b. Ione Dewey, Letters received from family and relatives, September 25, 1857-February, 1867.
- c. Will and Rob Bradley, Correspondence with family members, April 14, 1876-March 12, 1910.

Box 4: Correspondence with friends, 1861-1915.

- a. Luther and Ione Bradley, Correspondence with friends connected with military service, June 1, 1864-December 8, 1909.
- b. General and Mrs. Bradley, Letters received from friends not connected with military service, May 30, 1861-July 15, 1915.
- c. Luther and Ione Bradley, Correspondence with H. S. Nichols, August 13, 1865-November 20, 1869.
- d. Bradley, Letterbook, October 29, 1888-February 9, 1904.
- e. Luther and Ione Bradley, Invitations, Receptions, 1870(?) - November 15, 1886, and undated.

Box 5: Official Papers, 1846-1911.

- a. Bradley, Official Correspondence, June 27, 1865-May 24, 1904.
- b. Bradley, Special orders received, September 27, 1863-December 8, 1886.
- c. Bradley, Orders Sent, District of New Mexico, May 1, 1884-November 13, 1886.
- d. Bradley, Miscellaneous official military papers received, January 8, 1846-January 25, 1889.
- e. Ione Bradley, Efforts to secure a pension, May 21, 1910-March 4, 1911.

Box 6: Historical Papers, 1849-1950.

- a. Bradley, Recollections of service in the Civil War, 1861-1865.
- b. Confederate Correspondence captured by General Bradley in 1864.
 - 1) L. Pope Walker to Isham G. Harris, April 19, 1861.
 - 2) Beriah Magoffin to Isham G. Harris, June 10, 1861.
 - 3) George Bickley to Isham G. Harris, August 3, 1861.
 - 4) W. J. Hardee to Gideon Pillow, August 27, 1861.
 - 5) Leonidas Polk to "General," August 31, 1861.
 - 6) Albert Pike to all officers, Civil and Military, of the Confederate States, October 19, 1861.
- c. Miscellaneous Civil War Papers, 1862-1864.
 - 1) Philip H. Sheridan, Extracts from reports of Stone's River and Chickamauga.
 - 2) George W. Smith, Inquiry on the Battle of Franklin, April 4, 1882.
 - 3) Jacob D. Cox, Inquiry on Spring Hill and Franklin, November 16, 1889.
- d. Mrs. Bradley, Recollections, 1868-1886.
 - 1) Reminiscences of Army Life, 1868-1886.
 - 2) Reminiscences of the New Orleans Mardi Gras, 1880.

- e. Jesse M. Lee to Mrs. Bradley, October 25, 1913,
Recollections of the death of Crazy Horse and the
Ghost Dance uprising, 1877-1891.
- f. Bradley, Speech on the Society of the Cincinnati,
ca. 1890.
- g. Clippings and notes.
 - 1) Death of Geronimo's widow, 1950.
 - 2) Zuni ethnology, 1879-1900.
 - 3) Chief Crazy Horse, 1849-1948.

Box 7: Financial Papers, Memorandum Books, and Scrapbooks.

- a. Financial Papers, November 17, 1865-April 4, 1887.
- b. Financial Ledgers, Memorandum Books, 1883-1914.
- c. Memorandum and Fact Books, 1874, and undated.
 - 1) Army Papers, 1874, pertaining to Civilian and Military
justice, various aspects of military life, and
Indian reservations. While the title indicates
1874, the material covers the decade of the 1870's.
 - 2) Alphabetically indexed notebook containing entries of
personal interest with most dates centering during
the 1880's.
 - 3) Index Rerum, a notebook containing entries of personal
interest covering the period of the 1860's through
1900's.
 - 4) Small notebook alphabetically indexed containing entries
of personal interest with most dates centering in the
mid 1860's; the earliest date recorded is 1854 while
the latest is 1884.
 - 5) Notebook containing newspaper clippings on recipes and
home remedies.
- d. Scrapbook, December 16, 1868-October 16, 1909.

Box 8: Miscellaneous Papers and Scrapbooks.

- a. Miscellaneous papers (non-military), 1912 and undated.
- b. Miscellaneous papers and clippings about or collected by
Ione Dewey Bradley, November 10, 1866-February 12,
1867, and undated.
- c. Five scrapbooks on miscellaneous military and non-military
topics.

Box 9: Civil War Scrapbooks.

- a. War Papers, Volumes I-III, 1861-1865 (mostly articles from
Century magazine).
- b. Conduct of the War: Narratives, 1861-1865.

Box 10: Annotated Books.

- a. Sheridan, Philip H. Personal Memoirs of P. H. Sheridan,
Vol. I. New York: Charles L. Webster and Company,
1888.
- b. Butler, J. H. (Pub.). The English Version of the Polyglott
Bible. Northampton, Mass.: J. H. Butler, 1834.
- c. U.S. War Office. Adjutant General's Office. General Orders
1868. Washington: Government Printing Office, 1869.
- d. Tennyson, Alfred. In Memoriam Maud and Other Poems.
Philadelphia: The Rodgers Company, no date.